

Council on Aging Minutes 10/08/2014

COUNCIL ON AGING MINUTES

OCTOBER 8, 2014

Present: Council on Aging Members Irving Goldberg, Virginia McIntyre, Marijo Gorney, Jack Dorsey, Ernest Cornelssen, Council on Aging Director Lynne Waterman and Outreach Coordinator Darlene Perkins.

Absent: Mary Gaffney, Norah McCormick, Jack Jordan, Jean Nousse

Chairman Irving Goldberg opened the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 10, 2014

Motion: Ernie Cornelssen moved to approve the minutes of September 10, 2014, seconded by Ginny McIntyre. **Vote unanimous**

Public Comments

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Lynne Waterman distributed her report for the month of September. She said she and the Activity Coordinator met with a new volunteer who will be facilitating a writing program and a person who will be coordinating a weight loss group beginning in November. The Director also met with the Travel Coordinator, the instructor of the new VNA walking program and the co-leader of the Singing Singers.

The Director noted there is a small issue with the van that will be addressed with the dealership.

The Director thanked the Friends of the Council on Aging who purchased blinds for the Arts and Crafts room along with a new activities cart. The annual inspection of the Senior Center was completed by the Building Inspector and the Fire Safety Inspector and the DPW will be following up. Lynne thanked the DPW staff for the great job they did weeding the back patio and yard and who also planted blooming perennials which were selected by the gardening volunteers.

The Director noted the monthly meetings she attended: Department Head, Human Services Committee, COAST, COA staff, and the Parkinson's Support Network of Cape Cod Board of Directors and Program Committee. She also attended a TRIAD meeting and the quarterly CIRCA training for the regional Council on Aging staff. The Director met with staff from the VNA to discuss working together with staff from the new memory assisted living facility and with staff from one of the local home health agencies.

The Director also met with a Mature Worker candidate to interview her for the afternoon receptionist position. Lynne also interviewed a new volunteer, met with the RSVP Director for Elder Services of Cape Cod and conducted with the Outreach Coordinator and Human Resources Director interviews for the Volunteer Coordinator's position.

The Director noted her goals were to complete the annual operating budget and meet with seniors who are applying for the property tax work off program which begins October 1.

The Director passed out an article from the Boston Globe on the PACE Program.

Motion: Jack Dorsey moved to accept the Director's report, seconded by Ginny McIntyre. **Vote was unanimous.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Director Waterman reviewed the budget figures with the members.

Motion: Ginny McIntyre moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Jack Dorsey. Vote unanimous.

ACTIVITY COORDINATOR REPORT

The Director reviewed the Activity Coordinator Report for September and highlighted the Reverse Mortgage Program, IPAD Class, Powerful Tools for Caregivers presented by Elder Services, AARP Safe Driving Program, Just for Laughs Program, and the We Can information session. The Director said that Christine has been working very hard and is now working on the January Programs.

Motion: Jack Dorsey moved to accept the Activity Coordinator Report, Seconded by Ernie Cornelssen. Vote unanimous

OUTREACH COORDINATOR REPORT

Darlene Perkins distributed her report for the month of September. Darlene noted they have completed the first year of the "Brown Bag" Program. She thanked the volunteers that help out each month. It has been a very successful program and looks forward to building on the program for the next year.

She met with the police department concerning 10 matters of seniors needing referrals for services. Darlene reviewed the meetings she attended: Hoarding Task Force, Elder Services Board of Directors meeting, and South Shore Community Action Fuel Assistance training. Darlene distributed an application seniors fill out when applying for fuel assistance which is based on income. She reviewed the application in order for the council members better understand the process. She also explained this application is what they use for the Brown Bag Program and also reviewed the application for the Brown Bag Program.

Motion: Ginny McIntyre moved to accept the Outreach Coordinator's Report, seconded by Marijo Gurney. Vote unanimous.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Motion: Jack Dorsey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ernie Cornelssen. Vote unanimous.

Meeting adjourned 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Daigneault
Recording Secretary